(b) what is the number of undertakings for which the P.E.S.B. has already made recommendations and what is the number of undertakings where appointments of chairmen/managing directors are pending for clearnce of the appointment committee of the cabinet (ACC); and

(c) where does the main delay occurs at the Public Enterprise Selection Board level or at the A.C.C. level or elsewhere and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) According to the available information there were 26 posts of chief executives in central public enterprises vacant as on 30th April, 1988. This does not include the posts of chief executives which are kept in abeyance or which are newly created ones where the PESB is yet to make its recommendations.

(b) The Public Enterprises Selection Board have made their recommendations for 21 posts out of 26. Based on the recommendations of the PESB, administrative ministries concerned with the public sector enterprises formulate proposals for making appointment to the posts of chief executives of public sector enterprises for being placed before the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet for its consideration. Government have since cleared proposals in respect of two recommendations made by the P.E.S.B. The remaining are under process with the administrative ministry/department concerned with the respective public sector enterprises.

(d) Guidelines have been laid down for following a time-frame for dealing with the proposals which are processed on the basis of the recommendations of the P.E.S.B. There is at times delay in appointing chief executives in public sector units The reasons for delay are due to the fact that the selections for posts are to be made by the PESB after following the prescribed procedure and the Board's recommendations are to be processed by the administrative Ministry/Department concerned with the public sector enterprise and the final appointments are made only with the approval of the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet. Further, appointments can be made only after getting vigilance clearance verification of character and antecedents of individuals prior to their appointments and complete other formalities. In certain cases, persons with specialised skills are to be spotted through Press which take time. At times delay also occurs where persons selected take time or fail to join.

Setting up of biotech based industries

1037. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the transnational corporations governed by the FERA have been permitted by Government to set up biotech based industries;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) the details of monitoring and regulatory mechanism which have been set up to ensure its safe development;

(d) what are the details of products for which permission has been granted to Hoechst, Pfizer, Infor India and E. Merck; and

(e) whether Indian industries have been accorded such permission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND

TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Two FERA companies namely Sandoz India Limited, Bombay and Hindustan Lever Ltd. (HLL), Bombay have been permitted to produce high yielding hybird seeds. HLL is also permitted to produce photosynthesis improvers.

(c) At the present time there is no commercial production of genetically engineered products in the country. However, the Government is in the process of evolving recombinant DNA safety guidelines and regulations for Research and Production activities in the area of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology.

(d) (i) Hoechst — Bombay

1985 — Immunodiagnostic products

1986 — Cell culture based human Rabies vaccines

(ii) Infor India, Calcutta
Hormone (human gonadotropin)

(iii) Pfizer & E Merck, Bombay have not been granted any licence for any modern biotechnology product.

(e) Yes, Sir.

आधारिक संरचना और पर्यटन के विकास के लिए धनराशि का आबंटन

1038. **श्री सन्तोष बागड़ोदिया :** क्या **योजना** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि पिछले तीन वर्षों में प्रत्येक राज्य व संघ राज्य क्षेत्र को पर्यटन, परिवहन तथा संचार प्रणाली के विकास के लिये कितनी धन राशि आवंटित की गई ?

योजना मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री बीरेन सिंह इंगती) राज्य और संघ राज्य क्षेत्रों की 1985-86 से 1987-88 तक की तीन वार्षिक योजनाओं के अंतर्गत पर्यटन, परिवहन तथा संचार प्रणाली के विकास के लिए आवंटित की गई राशि नीचे दर्शायी गई है :

(लाख रु०)

	पर्यटन	परिवहन	संचार
1985-86 . .	2911.50	1059.89	10
1986-87 . .	3562.00	128170.85	204
1987-88 . .	5107.00	144777.98	205

Clearance of projects of Madhya Pradesh

1039. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the projects received from Madhya Pradesh Government which are pending with the Planning Commission as on the 31st March, 1988;

(b) the reasons for delay in according clearance; and

(c) by when the clearnce is likely to be accorded?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BIREN SINGH ENGTI): (a) to (c) Two pro-